

HOLIDAY DEATH TOLL MAY PASS 300 MARK SOON

Nation Pays Price of July 4th Spree; Indiana Next to New Jersey.

By United Press
Indiana's Fourth of July celebration cost forty-one lives. It was the highest total reported by any state, with the exception of New Jersey, where forty-two lives were lost.

This afternoon 280 casualties throughout the nation had been reported by the United Press. The number of injured was well up in the thousands.

Like Major Disaster
Pennsylvania had fourteen deaths, Ohio, 18; Michigan, 12, and the Chicago district, 11.

The celebration assumed the proportions of a major disaster, similar to devastating floods and hurricanes, as reports continued to come in.

Auto accidents, drownings and fireworks explosions shared the blame. Dozens of the victims were little children, and in many cases it was bystanders rather than actual celebrants who paid the price.

Firecrackers tossed carelessly about took many innocent victims. Drunken drivers, foolish swimmers, neglectful parents, often were responsible.

Rocket Causes Panic
In Chicago, what had been heralded as the "sanest Fourth" ended tragically when a defective sky-rocket plunged into a pile of fireworks at a supervised exhibition, setting fire to the entire stock, and causing panic among 1,000 spectators.

Twenty-five were burned, and many children were trampled.

But only one death from fireworks, that of a ten-year-old girl, was reported. Automobile accidents took ten lives.

Reports from other cities follow:

NEW YORK—Thirty-seven killed, of whom seventeen were drowned, nineteen died in traffic accidents, and one from fireworks injuries. More than 300 were injured by fireworks.

Accepting Dare Cost Life
PITTSBURGH—Ten killed, more than thirty injured. Four picnickers died when a train hit their auto, five drowned in summer camps, and one man jumped to death from a bridge because some one dared him.

WASHINGTON—Three killed in motor accidents, and twelve injured by fireworks. Gertrude Hall, 9, threw herself in front of an auto to save her 5-year-old brother. She died, but saved the boy. The driver, a Negro, was hurried to jail at Montrose, Va., under heavy guard in fear of mob violence.

NEW ORLEANS—Six drowned and one killed in auto accident. Amos (Kid) Carlin, prize fighter, was among the dead.

BALTIMORE—Five killed and twenty-five seriously injured. A Roman candle burned a girl of 11 to death. A bicyclist was caught between two street cars. A salesman, who had tried to commit suicide on a previous July 4, succeeded this year. He dived three stories from a hotel window.

LOS ANGELES—Three killed, scores injured.

ST. LOUIS—Three killed and 353 injured.

Driver Falls Asleep
BETHLEHEM—Two killed when an auto driver went to sleep and his machine plunged into a tree.

DENVER—Four deaths were caused respectively by a torpedo in a man's pocket, a misdirected gun salute, an auto crash and the cement bottom of a swimming pool struck by a diver.

KANSAS CITY—Eleven deaths in Southwest, many of whom were children. Clyde Coats, auto racer, killed at Abilene, Texas, and two sisters drowned together at Muskogee, Okla.

LAWRENCE, MASS.—Two boys found an old revolver in some rubbish. Five minutes later Paul Leonardi, 12, had killed his 9-year-old brother, because he "didn't know it was loaded."

ALBANY—Three were killed, and twenty-one injured in holiday auto accidents. Forty residents of Champlain received ptomaine poisoning on a church picnic.

ATLANTA—One dead, one dying, fourteen injured.

ST. PAUL—Auto mishaps and drownings took seven lives. A boy of 9 fell from the bank of the Cassidaw river and was carried over the falls.

Bus Hits Tree
BOSTON—Six auto crash deaths were reported here. Twenty-one were injured, four seriously, when a New York-to-Boston bus, crashed into a tree.

BUFFALO—Thirteen lives were snuffed out by auto accidents, fireworks and drownings.

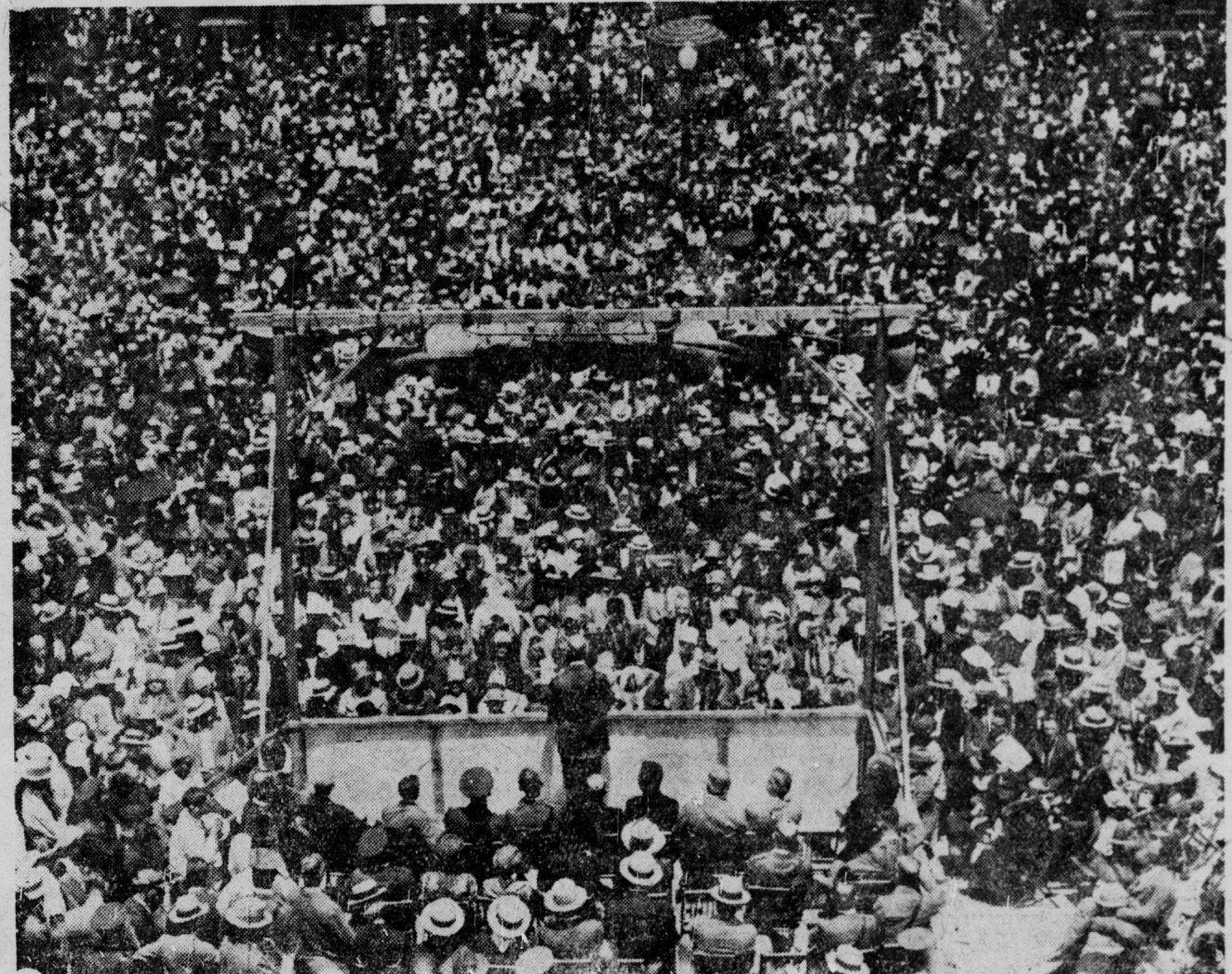
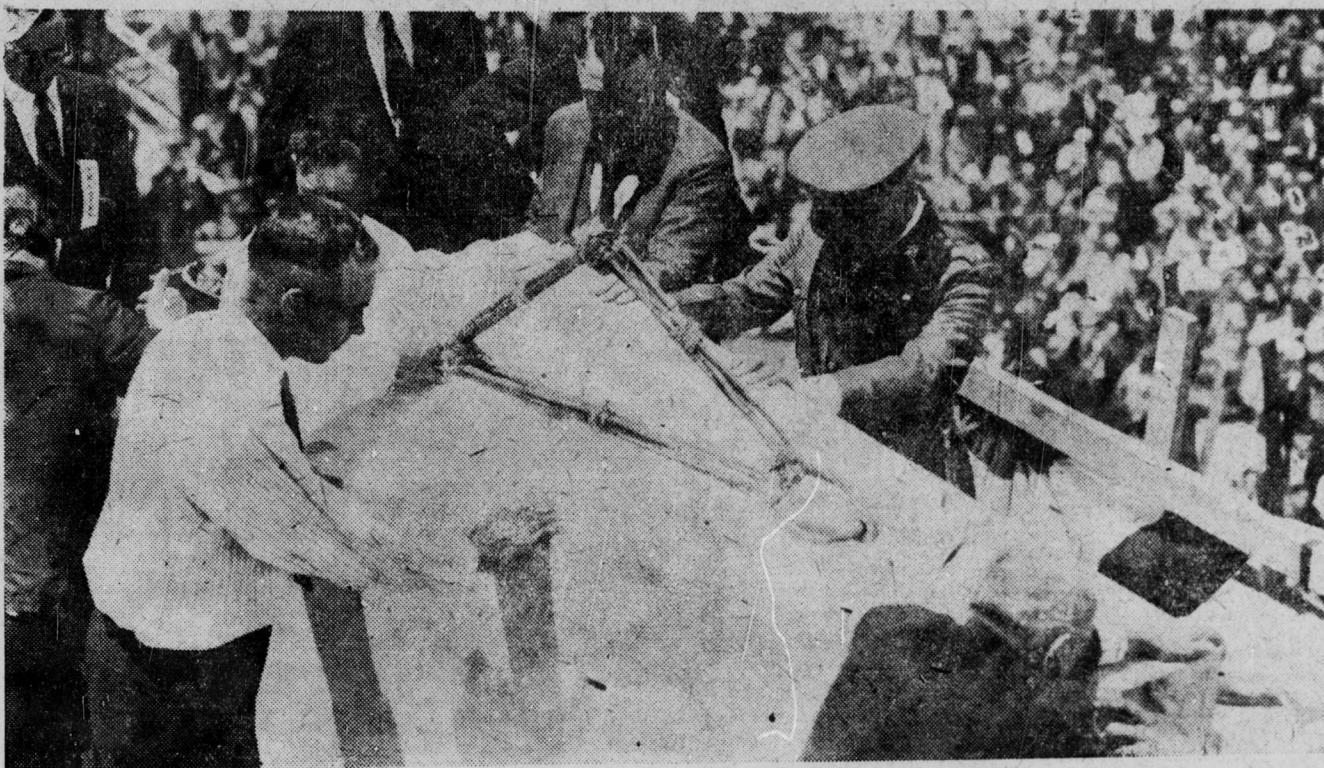
DETROIT—Twelve deaths in Michigan are reported. A 75-year-old Owosso (Mich.) man literally was excited to death by his grandchildren who exploded fire crackers near his chair. His heart failed.

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Week July 10
CIRCLE

General Pershing Helps to Place Corner Stone



Above: Gen. John J. Pershing helping swing the corner stone of the World War Memorial Shrine into place at the corner stone laying ceremonies Monday. Below: Pershing delivering the dedication address and part of the crowd which heard him.

LAUDS INDIANA SPIRIT

Will Hays Says Real Hoosier Sentiment Still Exists.

The real sentiment of Indiana, which still exists, prevailed at Indiana World War Memorial dedication ceremonies Monday, declared Will Hays, Motion Picture Producers and Distributors of America president, who was here for the ceremony.

Hays, a Hoosier politician, returned to New York late Monday, refusing to discuss Indiana politics. "The ceremonies were both pretensions and genuine and you don't often find both. There was a swing back into the genuine old sentiment of Indiana," said Hays.

Hays expressed regret over the recent death of former United States Senator Albert J. Beveridge. "I really am taking no active part in politics. But of course, I am tremendously interested in Coolidge."

Country Club Burns

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., July 5—Defective wiring today was ascribed as the cause of a fire which late Sunday afternoon destroyed the Phoenix Country Club building, east of here. Loss is \$20,000, with \$10,000 insurance.

Britain Is Tons in Debt

LONDON, July 5—Britain's debt to the United States, if paid all at once in gold, would weigh 6,700 tons.

Lindbergh May Refuse Medal From Congress

Modesty May Lead Airman to Unusual Step, Say Service Officers.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, July 5—Charles A. Lindbergh may be the first man in history to refuse the congressional medal of honor, highest award that can be conferred by this Government.

This is the gossip among Army air service officers who believe the usual modesty of the first Atlantic flier will lead him to decline. If he does he will upset plans of Congressmen and Senators, who, according to Speaker Longworth, hope to have Congress break its speed records by authorizing the award the first day of the new session.

The congressional medal is supposed to be awarded for extraordinary heroism in the face of the enemy. In Lindbergh's case the Atlantic Ocean is not the sort of enemy that Congress had in mind when the medal was authorized.

Some criticism has been heard among naval and Army officers because Commander Richard Byrd accepted the congressional medal for his North Pole flight.

The North Pole, they claim, was not "an enemy."

Lindbergh, it is known, is giving consideration to what he will do in

the event he is awarded the congressional medal.

The War Department contemplated awarding the Distinguished Flying Cross to Lieutenants Maitland and Hogenberger for their Hawaiian flight. This is the medal President Coolidge presented to Lindbergh.

No award is contemplated thus far for Clarence Chamberlin, second man to cross the ocean. Army officers say the fact that he is a civilian prohibits bestowal of this medal.

CLEMENT MILLER DIES

Spent 45 Years as Traveling Representative in Territory.

Clement T. Miller, 68, died at his home, 1409 Olive St., Sunday. He had been ill for about three months. For twenty-five years he had been factory representative for the McCray Refrigerator Company, Kenosha, Ind., and the Hobart Manufacturing Company, Troy, Ohio. He was previously employed by Schnull & Co., wholesale grocers, more than twenty years.

He is survived by the widow, two brothers, Harry and Samuel, of this city, and three sisters, Miss Eloise McMillin and Mrs. Kate Terry, Indianapolis, and Mrs. William McDonald, Cincinnati. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

JESTER HEADS 'Y' CLUB

Indiana Overseas Workers Perfect New Organization.

Charles M. Jester of 2263 N. Pennsylvania St., today assumed his duties as president of the permanent organization of overseas Indiana Y. M. C. A. workers.

The organization was perfected Monday afternoon at the Indianapolis Athletic Club following the war memorial parade. Nearly 350 workers took part in the meeting.

Other officers are Arthur R. Merrill of Kendallville, vice president, and Charles A. Tevebaugh, State secretary of the Y. M. C. A., secretary-treasurer.

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TIMES' PICNIC NEXT HOLIDAY FOR CARRIERS

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Now that all the fun and excitement of the Fourth of July is over, most folks have gone back to their jobs for another long stretch of time until the next holiday rolls around, but for Times carrier boys and girls it's just one good time after another for no sooner will they have rested up from Monday celebration than they will be treated to another big day of fun.

Thursday of this week—just three more days to wait—The Times is throwing its annual treat of the summer for its little business partners and has "bought" the big Riverside amusement park out on W. Thirtieth street for the morning.

All the boys and girls who distribute the paper all over Indianapolis and Marion County will be guests of honor Thursday at the amusement park and will be furnished with long strips of tickets good for rides on the fun devices. Free, mind you, for The Times is paying the bill.

How Tickets Will Look

All the boys and girls who carry The Times should immediately get in touch with their district agents or the downtown street sales men and obtain their tickets for the fun. The tickets will be strips of yellow cardboard nine inches long at the top will be the words: "The Indianapolis Times Newsboys' Picnic at Riverside Park, Thursday, July 7, 1927." Then there are nine coupons, perforated so they can be torn off, and each coupon bears the words: "This ticket, good for one ride on the Thru-ler, or 'This ticket, good for one ride on the Caterpillar," and so down the big fun line, including the Old Mill, the Skyrocket, the Merry-Go-Round, the Frolic, the Twister, the Aero Swing, the Derby Racer and the Whip.

See "Nehi" at Track

And down at the bottom of the strip of tickets are the words: "See 'Nehi' at the pony track." This is a secret, and the only way you can get in on it is to visit the pony track and ask about it. Right now all we can tell you about it is that you may some time soon be given none of the fine little ponies by The Times.

Archie W. Colter and Jack Mooney, who boss things out at Riverside, report everything will be in readiness.

See your district or street salesman today and ask him for your free tickets. Then be sure to have mother or sister fill the old lunch basket and get ready to come with you. The fun will start early in the morning and continue until 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

Next Thursday is the time. Riverside park is the place. Times carriers are the guest.

Curtain Conceals Choirs Charms

NORTHAMPTON, England, July 5—A curtain has been draped around the lower part of the choir benches in the local Nonconformist church. Wives had complained that the silk-clad legs of the choir girls were distracting the men's attention from the services.

SKULL MAY PROVE 'LINK'

Scientists Study Million-Year-Old Ape Cranium.

By NEA Service
LONDON, July 5—A skull that is a million years old is the latest claim before scientists who are forever wrestling with the problem of "the missing link."

The skull, excavated at Bilaspur, in the foothills of the Himalayas of India, was the discovery of Guy Pilgrim, superintendent of the geological survey of India. The skull was that of a fossil ape.

3 MORE FIRES BOOST DAMAGE

Fireworks Cause Losses to Number of Homes.

Three fires early today boosted fire loss in the last twenty-four hours here to approximately \$5,000. Fireworks caused six fires, which did nearly \$500 damage.

Home of William H. Coffin, 957 N. Olney St., was partially burned shortly after 6 a. m. Cause of the fire has not been determined. The blaze started in a bedroom on the second floor after Coffin had gone to work. His wife was alone in the house.

The flames spread to the house of George Hockett, 961 N. Olney St., and did \$300 damage to the roof. Fire started on the roof by sparks from the furnace did \$200 damage at the home of Anton Richardson, 610 Agnes St.

Flames destroyed the lunch stand of Herbert Lenn, 2915 English Ave. Damage was estimated at \$100.

Awnings, Cars Damaged

Fifty dollars damage to two awnings and \$50 damage to a parked automobile was done when \$200 worth of fireworks exploded at a temporary stand, 160 N. Illinois St., late Monday.

George Derr, Rink Apts., was proprietor of the stand. The awnings were on the Theodore Sereinis Restaurant and Gold Smith Bros. drug store. The auto belonged to Mack Ross, 3966 N. Capitol Ave. A coupe belonging to A. H. Smith, Zionsville, Ind., parked near by, was damaged slightly.

Cause Roof Fires

Other fireworks fires: Roof, home of Andrew J. Hanson, \$50; roof, home George Barry, 1069 N. Illinois St., \$60; roof, home William Brennan, 615 Prospect St., \$25; shed, rear home A. W. Reace, 635 Warren Ave., and two sheds on neighboring property, \$200; home, James Slayman, 68 E. Caven St., \$50; home A. M. Eppert, 3050 N. Sherman Dr., \$50. Sparks from a bonfire did \$100 damage to a garage in the rear of the home of A. D. Conley, 5514 Riley Ave.

Move DePauw Building

By United Press
GREENCASTLE, Ind., July 5—Moving of the DePauw School of Music building, erected 44 years ago, has almost been completed. On its new location the building will be completely remodeled and have a large basement and annex.

A Panama hat is the coolest of headwear, according to a group of Paris scientists who recently made tests. At 97 degrees Fahrenheit, the temperature beneath a cap was found to be 98.6, a felt hat 86 and a Panama only 77.

6 ARE INJURED BY FIREWORKS

Child of 4 Picked Up Lighted Cracker.

Fireworks ran automobiles a poor second Monday in inflicting injuries. Six were injured, police say, in this traditional July 4 manner.

Howard, 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Downing, 389 Grand Ave., probably was the most seriously injured, the result of picking up a lighted firecracker some one had thrown into the front yard of his home.

The child's face was swollen and burnt by the explosion and his eyes may be affected.

Alberta Miller, 8, of Brazil, was injured when a packet of firecrackers she held under her arm began to explode as she stood with her parents listening to Governor Jackson's address at Memorial Plaza. The girl was taken to City hospital by police with a badly burned arm and side.

John Schott, 530 Vinton St., received facial cuts when a homemade glass bottle cannon exploded.

Abe Polaski, 13, 963 Elm St., and Miss Betty Tate, 20, of 1327 Ringgold Ave., were injured in separate accidents by unknown wielders of blank cartridge revolvers.

Charles Johnson, 35, of 1650 Kessler Blvd., was burned when a firecracker exploded in his hand.

Harold Anderson, 1517 Burdall Blvd., also suffered a hand injury in a similar accident.

UTES FOR DR. PORTER TO BE HELD THURSDAY

Funeral Services Will Be at Central Christian Church.

Funeral services for Dr. Edward D. Porter, who died Monday, after an illness of several months, will be conducted at the home, 2202 College Ave., Apt. 1, at 10 a. m. Thursday. The Rev. William A. Shulzberger, pastor of Central Christian Church, and the Rev. Lewis Brown, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery.

Dr. Porter was born here Dec. 8, 1861. He was graduated from Shortridge High School and Indiana University School of Medicine. He practiced in this city for the last ten years.

He was a member of the official board of Central Christian Church and Mystic Tie Lodge of Masons, Scottish Rite and Tribe of Ben-Hur.

Surviving him are the widow; his mother, Mrs. Sarah Porter, who made her home with him; a daughter, Mrs. Donald Test; two sons, Edward D. Porter, Jr., and Charles H. Porter, and a brother, David O. Porter, all of this city.

Stunt Parachute Flier Injured

By United Press
LATROBE, Pa., July 5—Charles Wagner, 20, Baggaley, Pa., was injured, probably fatally, when his parachute became entangled in wires and he fell forty feet to the ground. He was participating in a July 4 stunt exhibition.

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